

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are requested regarding whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*] will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Food Safety and Inspection Service

Title: Specified Risk Materials.

OMB Control Number: 0583-0129.

Summary of Collection: The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been delegated the

authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as provided in the Federal Meat Inspection

Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) The statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by

ensuring that meat products are safe, wholesome, and properly labeled and packaged. FSIS

requires that official establishments that slaughter cattle and or process carcasses or parts of

cattle develop written procedures for the removal, segregation, and disposition of specified risk

materials (SRMs). FSIS requires that establishments maintain daily records sufficient to

document the implementation and monitoring of their procedures for the removal, segregation,

and disposition of SRMs, and any corrective actions taken to ensure that such procedures are

effective.

Need and Use of the Information: FSIS will collect information from establishments to ensure

meat and meat products distributed in commerce for use as human food do not contain SMRs.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 3,512.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 123,916.

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